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curping it over to hasten the drying process. She asked for something, in a careless way, and then said as she was leaving:

"You have a good lot of coffee, boys. What in the world are you going to do with so much coffee?"

"The surgeon in charge is going to coell it, I guesa," and then they all tanghed. She felt sure from their manner that these men knew all the secrets of that commissary department, and it must be her business to get it from them. But I was surging her to be careful, for if false charges were brought against the surgeon in charge of a large hospital, it would injure the Diet-Kitchen service all along the line. We were in daily correspondence. She had tested the coffee every way she could think of, but could not decide as to how it was adulterated. She had a new white-pine sink put in the kitchen, and power of the commissary well over, and picked out one, an innocent young fellow, that she thought she might surprise into a confession. Waiting her chance, when moone was near, she faced him with the terrible question:

"Why do you men in the commissary room put logwood and every other wale staff in the coffee for our poor sick and wounded men to drink? Have you no conscience? Do you want to kill them.

The poor boy turned pale and staggered back as though he would fall, as the stammered:

"We have to do it—it's the surgeon's orders. Indeed, Miss vance, we can't help it," and he dashed away as fast as he could go to tell the others.

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As they wanted to get themselves right with Miss Vance, the others as soon as they could went to her to apologize and to assure her that it was orders. She assumed not to believe that a surgeon would give such orders, and said she could not believe till she saw the orders. They brought them, and also the surgeon's instructions for mixing, and various other devices for cheating.

"Now, boys, don't say a word about this till I can see what I can do."

Of course I got all these facts as quick as the mail could bring them. I wrote her "to be careful, to make copies of all the papers and records of the false entries in the books, and take these men one by one to a Justice of the Peace or Notary Public, and have them swear to everthing"; for, if the surgeon should suspect what she was doing, he would at once relieve them and order them to join their regiments, and she would be left to stand alone. I started to Louisville, Ky., the headquarters of Asst. Surg. Gen. R. C. Wood, at once, and requested Miss Vance to send to me there all the papers in the case, which she did.

As I read over the villainous record of cheatery, and the disgusting compounds he had put into the old coffee-grounds and logwood were dumped out upen he "commission."

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"But he will resign as soon as he knows they are going to bring the chart, who had been my ablest them, and so this plan was agreed to, as I wished to do, to Gov. Morton.

I selected Dr. Clendening, Medical Director of that Department, as the President of the Court. The others were among the best medical men of the army.

The Commission received the document, w

Revelations of an Artesian Well.

The story of the earth may never be fully told, and most of its particulars, though guessed at with much intrepulity, will probably be held subject to correction to the end of time. But now and then, when the crust of the planet is more deeply penetrated than usual, as when an artesian well is bored, a fragment of the record is disclosed, and all the old and cherished chronologies are irreparably damaged.

Such a well was sunk recently at Galveston, Texas, and from a depth of 1510 yeston, Texas, and a considerable interval has elapsed, according to the professor's estimate, since the owner made his last shipment to the antedluvian market. It is but charitable to presume that he has passed it in the company of that shining but extremely select band of glorided horticulturists who gave good measures, and whose berries 'grew bigger downward through the box."—Me chanical News.

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A Harvard man, who has been living in the West since his graduation, writes home an incident in which he helped Bishop Talbot. The Bishop arrived one day in a small mining town in his diocese—Wyoming—where he had promised to hold a service. Walking up the street, he noticed some green handbills flying about, and he picked up one. It read as follows.

"Bishop Talbot preaches to-night. Let him have a big crowd.

"P. S. Leave your guns with the usher."

The Bishop was not easily scared, but he thought the postscript odd, to say the least. On inquiry he learned that young Mr. H—wanted to raise a good crowd to greet the Bishop, and he had issued the handbills, knowing that many who would not come to hear a Bishop preach would come at the hint of a disturbance.

The Bishop's stay was "a great go."

—Boston Herald.

State senate in evading the duty of pronouncing judgment upon faithless State officials was a cowardy subterfuge and a dispraceful violation of public duty.

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Resolved, That we cordially approve the action of the Democratic State central committee in selecting Wm F. Harrity to fill the vacancy in the Democratic national committee the selecting Wm F. Harrity to fill the vacancy in the Democratic national committee which be the choice of the Democratic of Pennsylvania for the full term of membership of the Democratic national committee which begins in June next.

Resolved, That the Democratic State central committee of Pennsylvania is hereby authorized to fill any and all vacancies that may occur after the adjournment of the convention in the position of candidate for progressman-at-large of candidate for congressman-at-large, of candidate for progressman-at-large, of candidate for progressma

PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATS.

IN STATE CONVENTION.

Instruct for Gleveland. Mr. Harrity for Committeeman. The Platform In Full.

The Democratic State Convention met at Harrisburg and the friends of Grover Cleveland, Governor Patrison, and Secretary of State Harrity had matters their own way. The program of the administration people, as they are called, did not meet with a single obstacle worth speaking of. There was some friction here and there outside the convention, but inside there was a spirit of peace and harmony that did not once suffed disturbance, except toward the close of the morning session, when nearly all the delegates had left the hall for dinner.

When the convention reconvened at or clock, Sepator Hall presented the report of the committee on contected seats, and making a motion for its adoption called for the previous question. William Foyle, of Bradford, submitted a minority report favorable to the seating of the anti-Harrity confessants, and Mr. Bane, of Washington, moved for its adoption. The motion was promptly voted down by an overwhelming majority, Mr. Bane, however ruled that a call for the previous question could not be debated. Mr. Bane was hissed at and howled at, but his efforts to promote an argument were not concluded until the convention most vocific rously refused to have a roll-call at all on the report, which was adopted by a vira voce vote so entirely ensested that it was the calling proceedings of the session, and it was protracted and teclius, was the calling by copressional districts for harmons, fight, conversed for the previous question could not be debated. Mr. Bane was hissed at and howled at, but his efforts to promote an argument were not concluded until the convention most vocific rously refused to have a roll-call at all on the report, which was adopted by a vira voce vote so entirely ensested that it was the calling by copressional districts for the names of the periods. We have a condition of the previous question could not be debated. Mr. Bane was hissed at and howled

## NEWSY GLEANINGS.

MEXICO'S cotton crop is a failure.
THE export trade continues heavy.
GERMANY will adopt the Maxim gun.
A REVOLUTION is threatened in Hawaii.
THE flour trade outlook is unfavorable.
THERE are 16,000,000 cows in the United

SILVER continues very low in foreign SILVER continues very low in Annual exodus to Europe of American tourists has begun.

The inflow of American securities held abroad is falling off.

TEN THOUSAND bills have been introduced in the present House.

THE political situation in Rio Janeiro, Brazil, is again critical.

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LOUISLANA has two Republican and two Democratic candidates for Governor.

THE American convention system has been introduced into politics in Mexico. been introduced into politics in Mexico.
YELLOW fever prevails to an alarming extent at Santos and Rio Janeiro, Brazil.
ENGLAND'S exports decreased \$10,000,000 last month as compared with March, 1891.
RUSSIAN peasants have been discovered selling their children prior to immigrating.
THERE are from \$9,000 to 100,000 lepers in the Republic of Colombia, South America.

A New herring bank 100 miles long has been discovered off the west coast of New-foundland.

In the season of 1891 '92 the number of hogs packed in the United States amounted to 14,457,614.

The Ameer of Afghanistan is said to have formally declared in favor of England as against Russia.

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The war in Dahomey, Africa, is caused by the natives, who want victims for their annual sacrifices.

The anarchists of Paris, France, are creating a greater commotion than at any time during the century.

The 54,000-candle power light in the Bartholdi Statue at New York will be replaced by one of. 100,000-candle power.

LAND values are not declining as a year ago. Real estate in cities and towns is advancing, and suburban properties are worth more than last year.

W. T. Baker was re-elected President of the World's Fair Directory with his salary reduced one-half; Solicitor-General Butterworth retires, his office having been abolished.

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CAPTAIN E. B. FULLER is under orders to exhume the remains of the members of the Seventh Cavalry who fell in the battle of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, a year ago and remove them to Fort Riley for final interment.

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A CONTRACT has been completed for the construction of an irrigating canal and reservoirs in Santa Cruz Valley, California, The canal will be seventy miles long and thirty feet wide at the bottom; 300,000 acres of land will be reclaimed.

STOCKMEN along the Cheyenne River, in South Dakota, have inaugurated a war fea South Dakota, have inaugurated a war fea the extremination of wolves that are killing large numbers of calves and colts. Ten Russian wolfhounds have been bought from Tennessee to be used in the hunt.

negroes were drowned in the floods of last week. A great deal of cotton has been destroyed.

Jackson, Miss.—The Tombigbee river is falling, The number drowned is 125, and when the waters subside it is thought other bodies will be discovered. It will be several days before the river gets inside its banks, lumany places it is unward of 18 miles wide.

days before the river gets inside its banks, In many places it is upward of 12 miles wide. Mounds were under eight feet of water, and a great number of houses were swept away. Mosile, Ala.—The Tombigbee river at Demopolis has risen 8 feet since, and the river is now within 73 feet of the high water of 1874. Every railroad is washed out, and nearly all the wires are down. Every bridge in the country is washed out, and much stock has been lost. It now looks as if this flood would be greater than any before. LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—Reports are being hourly received from all sections of the State to the effect that rivers are rising rapidly and overflows are also momentarily expected to occur. White river is higher than it has been for two years. The Arkansas is coming up very fast. Trains are still delayed from two to six hours on account of the washouts which occurred a week ago.

Every Life Saraer Downed.



A CHILD of Robert Parker of Irwin, being locked in a house which took fire, perished before it could be gotten out.

Mass Minnie Deithi, telegraph operator in the Donehoe tower, near Greensburg, saved a child's life by snatching it from before a train.

NEAR Greensburg, the school house to West Fairfield was burned, supposed to have been the work of an incendiary. The loss will resch \$1,200 with about \$600 insurance.

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The large party of United States secret service men and internal revenue officers which left Somerset for 'he moonshine region Monday night raided a number of places and captured three distillers and four stills. The men arrested are John H. Reese, Sr., John H. Reese, Jr., and John H. Miller. A quantity of the l'licit liquor was confiscated. It is the purpose of the government officers to carry on the work until the illegal whiskey makers are driven out of the mountains or are all sent to prison. Sheriff Good has given up the search for Pritts.

The postoffice at frove City was robbed early yesterday morning by cracksmen, who blew open the safe and took all the stamps, cash and registered letters, amounting to \$300 in all. The clerk did not sleep in the office for the first time.

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While the 4-year-old son of P. F. Curran, supervisor of repairs on the Pennsylvania railway, was playing in the streets at Pottsville, he was set upon by a dog supposed to have rables. Flesh on both sides of his face was torn from the bones and the boy was terribly lacerated about the neck, shoulders and sides. After being cauterized the wounds were stitched, but the recovery of the child is doubtful.

DANIEL EMERICK, a 60-year-old carpen ter of Rochester, was struck by a locomotive and mortally wounded.

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Durking a quarrel at Monongahela City,
Joseph Gibbons was struck on the head with
a stone thrown by Frank Hillman. It is
thought it will prove fatal.

Burglars blew open the safe at the Waynesburg depot of the Waynesburg & Washington railroad and secured about \$40 in cash.

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\* CHARLES WESS of Johnstown, who was refused a liquor license and whose wife died recently, fatally mutilated himself with a razor, while despondent.

An explosion occurred late Monday night at the Cressona powder mills, near Pottsville, blowing one of the chaser mills to atoms. The night foreman ran a narrow escape.

HARVEY SHIRK, a well-known Lancaster young man, broke his neck Friday night by striking the wall of a bedroom in the county hospital.

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Mrs. Harper Jack, a well known resident of Marion township, Butler county, committed suicide by jumping into a well while suffering with temporary dear entia brought on by despondency. She leaves a husband and three children.

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A PATHETIC Scene was witnessed at Blairs-ville at the death-bed of William Duffner, a brakeman on the West Penn railroad, who had been run down by a shifting engine and so badly injured that he died during a surgical operation, in the presence of his wife and family. He realized that he was dying, and spoke of his little girl always being at the door of his residence to wave when his train passed, and said she would "wave no more at papa!"

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MATTHEW CRAWFORD, a resident of wheat-tand, was arrested on a charge of bigamy. It is said Crawford has three wives living.

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In Philadelphia last year 3,358 retail liquor applications were filed and 1,255 granted. This year 3,015 applications were made and 1,383 granted, an increase of 135 over last year. For wholesale licenses 1,615 applications were made last year and 538 granted. This year the applicants numpered but 563, of which 541 were granted, 18 refused and four withdrew their applications.

tions.

A spark from a drill caused a terrific gas explosion in the Glendon colliery, near Mahony City. Thomas McWilliams was blown a long distance and instantly killed. John Phillips was fatally injured and John Mysen seriously hurt.

Miss Marrietta Stewart, of a pioneer family in Fayette county, was kicked and trampled to death by a frightened horse at Uniontown.

JOSEPH MCCLURE, aged 89, who was a member of the legislature in 1840, died at his home near Lancaster.

John H. Bronton was run over and killed at the B. & O. R. R. station at Uniontown. He had just stepped from his back door up-on the track when the night shifter ran over him.

Terrible Loss of Life at Columbus, Miss., by the Floods of Leat Week.

MEMPHIS, TENN. Apr. 14—Late reports from Columbus, Miss., says that at least 200 negroes were drowned in the floods of last week. A great deal of cotton has been destroyed.

At Dowington, the finest block of buildings in the town, including the Masonic Hall and Sides building were demanded in the Masonic Hall cost \$10,600; insured for \$7,500.

The Sides building was also insured for \$6,000.

Miss. Marietta Stewart a many forms of the Masonic Hall cost \$10,600; insured for \$6,000.

John Zimmerman, proprietor of a saw milliat Greters Ford, got caught in some machinery and was crushed to atoms.

The decisions on the license applications heard last Monday were handed down by the Court at Waynesburg. All applications were refused, excepting distiller's license to L. M. Lippencott and Glipin South. No retail licenses have been granted in Gree. county for 14 years.

MARY A. BELLIS, 16 years old, of Reading, has lived on nothing but milk for 10 months. drinking three pints a day. She declines to touch other food, and her strange resolve is said to be due to dissappointment in love, Her fluid diet agrees with her, and she has not wasted away.